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1	Title of invention	GUIDING MEMBER FOR SURGICAL INSTRUMENTS, SURGICAL INSTRUMENTS, COUPLING AND USES THEREOF	
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V	Designation of States		
V-1	Regional Patent (other kinds of protection or treatment, if any, are specified between parentheses after the designation(s) concerned)	AP: GH GM KE LS MW MZ SD SL SZ TZ UG ZM ZW and any other State which is a Contracting State of the Harare Protocol and of the PCT EA: AM AZ BY KG KZ MD RU TJ TM and any other State which is a Contracting State of the Eurasian Patent Convention and of the PCT EP: AT BE BG CH&LI CY CZ DE DK EE ES FI FR GB GR HU IE IT LU MC NL PT RO SE SI SK TR and any other State which is a Contracting State of the European Patent Convention and of the PCT OA: BF BJ CF CG CI CM GA GN GQ GW ML MR NE SN TD TG and any other State which is a member State of OAPI and a Contracting	
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V-5	Precautionary Designation Statement	
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	In addition to the designations made	·
	under items V-1, V-2 and V-3, the applicant also makes under Rule 4.9(b)	
	all designations which would be	
	permitted under the PCT except any	
	designation(s) of the State(s) indicated	
	under item V-6 below. The applicant	
	declares that those additional	
	designations are subject to confirmation	
	and that any designation which is not confirmed before the expiration of 15	
	months from the priority date is to be	
	regarded as withdrawn by the applicant	
	at the expiration of that time limit.	
V-6 <sup>1</sup>	Exclusion(s) from precautionary	NONE
	designations	HONE
VI-1	Priority claim of earlier national	
	application	
VI-1-1	Filing date	28 June 2002 (28.06.2002)
VI-1-2	Number	60/392,736
VI-1-3	Country	US
VI-2	Priority claim of earlier national	
	application	·
VI-2-1	Filing date	28 June 2002 (28.06.2002)
VI-2-2	Number	60/392,737
V1-2-3	Country	us
VI-3	Priority claim of earlier national application	
VI-3-1	Filing date	
-		30 August 2002 (30.08.2002)
VI-3-2	Number	60/407,459
VI-3-3	Country	US
VII-1	International Searching Authority Chosen	European Patent Office (EPO) (ISA/EP)
VIII	Declarations	Number of declarations
VIII-1	Declaration as to the identity of the	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
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	date, to apply for and be granted a	
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	date, to claim the priority of the earlier	
	application	
VIII-4	Declaration of inventorship (only for the	-
	purposes of the designation of the	
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VIII-5	Declaration as to non-prejudicial	-
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8-XI	Fee calculation sheet	<b>✓</b>	-
X-9	Original separate power of attorney	<b>✓</b>	-
IX-8	Original separate power of attorney	<b>√</b>	_
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X-19	Figure of the drawings which should accompany the abstract	14	
X-20	Language of filing of the international application	English	
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